

**THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF
SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY
OF
ROY H. BARNETTE**



DOCKET NO. 2006-4-G

**Annual Review of Purchased Gas Adjustment
and Gas Purchasing Policies of Piedmont Natural
Gas Company, Inc.**

1 Q. ARE YOU THE SAME ROY H. BARNETTE WHO PREFILED TESTIMONY IN
2 THIS CASE ON JULY 5, 2006, AND WHOSE TESTIMONY WAS EARLIER
3 ADMITTED INTO THE RECORD OF THIS CASE?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE REBUTTAL TESTIMONY FILED BY COMPANY
6 WITNESS ANN H. BOGGS IN THIS DOCKET?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY?

9 A. The purpose of my surrebuttal testimony is to set forth the
10 ORS position as it relates to the tank level inventory
11 adjustments which were addressed in prefiled testimony and
12 responded to by Company witness Boggs in rebuttal testimony.

13 Q. MR. BARNETTE, WHAT IS ORS' POSITION?

14 A. ORS has been unable to audit the supporting documentation
15 which made these adjustments necessary and can only verify
16 that the adjustments were made on the books and records of
17 the Company. However, it is the opinion of ORS that the
18 explanations, provided by the Company, concerning the
19 adjustments made to LNG inventory tank levels appear to be
20 reasonable and do not adversely affect the ratepayers served
21 by the Company.

22 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY?

23 A. Yes.